Remarks

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration and further

examination are requested.

Claim 1 has been objected to as containing a typographical error. Claim 1 has been amended

so as to correct this error. As a result, withdrawal of the objection to claim 1 is respectfully

requested.

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Claims 1 and 5-7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by

Yamagata (US 5,951,833). Claim 1 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated

by Toyokura (JP 03-242919). Claim 8 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being

unpatentable over Yamagata in view of Sekine (US 5,660,744).

Claim 13 has been indicated as containing allowable subject matter. The Applicants would

like to thank the Examiner for this indication of allowable subject matter.

Claim 1 has been amended so as to include the limitation of claim 13 which, as mentioned

above, is not disclosed or suggested by the prior art. As a result, claim 1 is now allowable.

Further, claims 9 and 13 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject

matter contained therein.

In addition, claims 2-8 and 10-12 are also allowable as being either directly or indirectly

dependent from claim 1.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is submitted that the present application is

now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if

it is felt that there are issues remaining which must be resolved before allowance of the application.

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